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Volunteer for Research!

Studies are conducted to test new treatments. These treatments are often anti-HIV drugs like AZT and protease inhibitors, but many new drugs are being developed and tested to treat other aspects of HIV disease like fatigue, wasting, and neuropathy. So even if your current treatment program is working well, there may be therapies available to you through clinical trials for other aspects of HIV. And even if your anti-retroviral treatment is currently successful, there may be trials for new anti-retroviral drugs that you can participate in without stopping your current regimen. Some trials require that you stop your current treatment, but others allow for you to take the experimental drug with the medications you are already taking.

The Body is compiling a database of volunteers' health information for possible participation in upcoming medical trials. Clinical researchers and labs often contact The Body; so do volunteers looking to participate in clinical trials and studies. The Body is building this database for the purpose of facilitating such requests. Currently, this program is available only to citizens and permanent residents of the United States.

After you complete the Health Survey and transmit it to *The Body*, your information will be sorted and stored in *The Body*'s database. *The Body* will provide What do you have to gain -- or lose -- by entering a clinical trial? For some people with HIV, there are real advantages to participation. For others, the benefits are not so clear. Check out <u>Clinical Trials: The Basics</u> for helpful guidelines that can make your decision easier.

At any time, you can remove your name from the database of volunteers.

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your information upon an appropriate request from a lab or researcher. If the lab or researcher agrees that you may be suited for their clinical trial, they may contact you for further information. All responses to the Health Survey will be encrypted during transmission using technology built in to most modern browsers and

most modern browsers and stored securely on our server. Furthermore, all of the data we collect is protected against unauthorized access. Older browsers may not support some aspects of the this technology, or may offer weakened versions of it. To better protect your privacy, we suggest you upgrade to the most recent version of your browser and verify you are communicating securely with *The Body*.

Prior to completing the Health Survey, please take a moment to read the information regarding the Health Survey on the following page. In order to participate you must first agree to the terms and conditions set forth on the following page and consent to the release to others of the health information you will be providing, particularly your HIV status.

Proceed



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